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■ **AWARD:** Paul Bray Memorial

## McCollum named top student volunteer

PelhamNEWS Staff

PELHAM — Emily McCollum, a Grade 12 student at E.L. Crossley Secondary School, has been chosen as Fonthill Kinsmen's 2011 Paul Bray Memorial Student Volunteer award winner.

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■ **BUSINESS:** Welland-Pelham cahmber hosts mayors breakfast

## Mayor points to good news budget



DAVE HANUSCHUK Staff photo

Pelham Mayor Dave Augustyn, right, joins E.L. Crossley rowers from left Madeline Green, Gabe Klassen, Sam Tober and Jason Carey at the South Niagara Rowing Club during Crossley's rowing practice to announce the third annual Mayor's Gala supporting Pelham's youth. The 2011 Gala will be held at Lookout Point Golf Course on Saturday, May 28, at 6 p.m. Tickets are available by contacting the Town of Pelham, 905-892-2607 ext. 337. A portion of the funds raised will go to the E.L. Crossley Rowing Club's fundraising effort to purchase a new shell which will be named Pride of Pelham.

WAYNE CAMPBELL  
PelhamNEWS Staff

PELHAM — With all the numbers factored in, the typical Pelham taxpayer will pay \$4 less this year.

In his "state of the town" address, Mayor Dave Augustyn brought members of the "Pelham-Welland Chamber of Commerce" up to date on road projects and planning developments under way in the town.

During the chamber's annual Pelham Mayor's Breakfast at the Canadian Legion hall Tuesday, he said tax figures for Pelham, Niagara Region and education balance out to a 0.1% decrease in residential taxes this year.

"It was a good news budget."

Town council approved tax rates at its Monday night council meeting.

The local tax dollar is split with 34 cents going to the town, 49 cents to the region and 17 cents to education.

Construction work on Pelham St. is "nearly done," he said touching on a drawn out concern for local businesses.

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# upfront

■ **COUNCIL:** PBA president outlines woes

## Pelham St. delays hurting Fonthill business

**WAYNE CAMPBELL**  
PelhamNEWS Staff

**PELHAM** — Frustration filled the air inside the council chamber while rain fell on Pelham St.

A project of a few months has turned into almost a year, John Wink, Pelham Business Association president, told town council Monday.

The stores lining Pelham St. have seen up to a 50% drop in revenue. Some laid off employees. Others are on the brink of closing, he said.

"The process has taken too long," he said.

The Meridian Credit Union manager said in his presentation a recession is defined as two consecutive financial quarters of losses.

"We have been in a recession since January."

The business association and Fonthill businesses support the project to reconstruct the street adding new underground services, sidewalks, roadway and burying overhead lines.

"We need to keep the downtown vibrant," he said. "However, closed stores help no one."

The area becomes less attractive to customers and the town loses revenue.

He urged town council to put pressure on the general contractor and subcontractors

to increase their work time.

"There are still three hours of daylight after they shut down for the day,"

The most recent delay involved Enbridge Gas putting in new lines.

Enbridge, however, Wink said "worked through the weekend and were out there in the rain today."

The business community is planning Summerfest as a celebration for the end of reconstruction and as an encouragement for people to return to shop in downtown Fonthill.

It is planned for Saturday, July 23. The PBA fears a lot of planning could fall by the side if the work isn't done.

Later in the meeting, Kelly Walsh, director of community and infrastructure services, said Enbridge "threw a monkey wrench into the works" when it said it would put in new lines.

However, he said it has shortened its estimated work time by two weeks and should be done by May 27.

The rest of the work on the street should be 99% done by the first week in July, he said.

The street will be ready in time for Summerfest.

Similarly, he said the Halst St. reconstruction work will be complete around the third week in June in time for Canada



WAYNE CAMPBELL Staff Photo

Enbridge Gas crews work on the replacement of gas lines on Pelham St. in Fonthill. The unexpected work has pushed back the reconstruction of the street and raised concerns over the completion of the work in time for Summerfest, a celebration of the redesigned downtown planned for Saturday, July 23.

Day.

"Both projects will be done on time," the engineer said while adding the traditional caution for outdoor work — "weather permitting."

Councillors expressed their frustration in a motion by Ward 2 Coun. Gary Accursi and Ward 1 Coun. Larry Clark, which passed unanimously.

It called on Brennan

Contracting to commit "to the completion of the Pelham St. project on or before July 8, 2011, and that failing this Brennan Contracting agrees to render the street in a safe

and walkable condition in advance of the Summerfest such that the festival may be carried out as planned."

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■ **REFURBISHED:** Called worshippers to Fonthill United Church since 1863

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Jean Shantz was impressed by the work done to refurbish the 1863 bell that once hung in the Fonthill United Church bell tower. The Shantz family donated the funds that made the project possible.

■ **KINSMEN**

# Award winner 'a phenomenal young girl'

## FROM PAGE 1

Kin spokesman Kevin Twomey said McCollum was chosen because of the various volunteer work she has done in the community.

"She's a phenomenal young girl."

McCollum has tutored students for Family and Children's Services Niagara where he behind in their reading.

"You can see the glow and sparkle around her when she talks about it, especially when she sees the positive impact her help has made," Twomey said.

In addition to volunteering at FACS, McCollum is very active in volunteering at Welland hospital.

The award will be officially presented to McCollum at her graduation ceremony in June.

**MARYANNE FIRTH**  
PelhamNEWS Staff

PELHAM — It may be almost 150 years old, but this piece of history still hasn't lost its chime.

For decades the bell at Fonthill United Church rang out over the Town of Pelham, welcoming worshippers with its ornate sound.

But ringing the 135-kilogram bell was no easy task, which made its replacement inevitable.

The quaint piece of 1863 history was removed from the church in November and an electric Carillon system put in its place.

In hopes of preserving the

bell and all that it represents, church member George Dewar took on the task of having it refurbished.

"It's been calling people to church since 1863. When that bell came down we realized something had to be done," Dewar said. The project "has been a job of the congregation," he said, with many people doing their part to assist.

It was a lengthy process, but the bell returned to its home last week — looking better than ever.

During its six month absence, the bell's frame was sandblasted and painted and a new platform built. As for the bell itself, its original

patina remains — keeping that beautiful green colour that copper only gets with time.

The project was made possible by the Shantz family, who donated the necessary funds in memory of Arthur Shantz — a member of the church from 1955 to 2006.

Jean Shantz, Arthur's wife, was at the church to get a glimpse at the final product.

"I think it's lovely," she said after laying eyes on the bell. "I'm very pleased."

People watched anxiously as a forklift was used to transport the extremely heavy piece from the back of a truck bed to the church entrance.

The platform was cleverly

built with castors so the bell can be moved throughout the church when necessary. It was rolled in through the front doors and placed in its new home — the corner of the foyer where it can be viewed by visitors.

A recommissioning of the bell will take place on Sunday, May 29 following service at 10 a.m. All are welcome to attend, Dewar said.

A small plaque will be mounted on the platform sharing the bell's history and honouring the memory of Arthur Shantz.

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MARYANNE FIRTH Staff Photo

Rob Zwierschke uses a forklift to move the more than 135-kilogram church bell near the doorway of Fonthill United Church. The bell was removed in November so it could be refurbished.

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## perspective



Wayne Campbell  
EDITOR

## Park going to the dogs

It looks like dog owners barked up the right tree this week.

They approached Pelham town council's general committee with a proposal for a leash free dog park.

John DeFazio, speaking for more than 200 Pelham and Welland residents, said such parks lead to happier, healthier dogs and owners. They provide exercise and social benefits to both pets and people. "Dogs that are exercised and socialized are happier and safer pets," he told councillors.

The group envisions two parks; one in Fonthill, possibly in Hurckle Back park, and in Ferriwick as a part of Centennial Park.

"We have counted 199 dog parks in towns and cities across Ontario," he said.

"The number seems to be increasing all the time as communities realize that a dog park is a low cost, high benefit recreation opportunity. The Weather Network now has a Dog Park Report."

Most of the yelping against such parks is about not cleaning up after pets and dogs fighting. DeFazio said from visits to dog parks he found the occurrences "are not as common as you would think." Actually, with rules and education a dog park is a safer place.

An ideal size for a park would be about four acres to allow Fido and Fluff to run free. They could be setup with different times for large and small dogs. Dog owners would help with the costs through donations, volunteer time and annual membership fees and grants, DeFazio said.

The group presented council with a package that included a petition, e-mails and background information about dog parks. It has a website [www.facebook.com/perennialspawpaw](http://www.facebook.com/perennialspawpaw).

Councillors turned the information over to its staff for comment and a report.

# comment

## Vineland centre builds local agriculture



Brian Baty  
REGIONAL  
COUNCILLOR

Members of the Agricultural Task Force and regional councillors recently visited the Vineland Research & Innovation Centre. CEO Dr. Jim Brandle led the presentation which was followed by a campus tour.

For those who are unaware, the site is at the end of Victoria Ave. as you turn to the QEW ramp. The centre occupies a 90-acre parcel and was established in 1906. Over the years more than 150 new varieties of fruits, vegetables and ornamental plants have

been developed. However, in past decades the role of the research centre diminished.

In 2006, a Renaissance Panel proposed a brave new vision for this centre which met with significant support from the industry and all levels of government. Plans are already underway for significant revitalization of the centre with investment in the renovation of the facilities and the addition of new facilities.

Some of the numbers provided by Dr. Brandle were impressive. The flower business in Niagara exceeds \$250 million. About 98% of greenhouse pest control in Ontario is achieved through biological control rather than pesticides. Consumers need to be aware that this fact is not true for foods imported

from many countries. There are 30,000 migrant workers in Ontario with one-third working in Niagara.

It is estimated that ethnic food products in the GTA amount to \$296 million per year and Vineland is conducting research into production of those foods in Ontario. Most trees for Ontario's highways are imported from the West Coast and Vineland is using an innovative shelter to produce the trees here to serve a \$10 million market each year.

Climate changes kill off an estimated \$9 billion of food each year and Vineland is conducting research with Raytheon heaters which act like inverted microwave ovens to prevent frost damage. The units called Tempwave cost less than diesel operated windmills

and do not emit sound pollution.

The tour of the facilities exposed us to many research projects. One greenhouse experiment was producing drought resistant petunias. The big stores are now taking products on consignment only so if the flowers stay fresh for a longer time there will be less need to hire staff to water them and thereby saving money.

Another greenhouse displayed Hardy Roses and the attempts underway to create new strains and varieties.

We saw the CRAVO structure which is similar to a greenhouse but with an ability to remove the roof or walls as required thus providing a longer growing period for the trees here in Ontario rather than importing them.

We also saw a Green Roof project as well as the Tempwave product referred to earlier.

It is clear that this research centre is on an upswing and has the potential to significantly affect the future of agriculture in Niagara and Ontario.

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## We shouldn't expect the kids to clean up our mess



David Suzuki  
THE EARTH

DAVID SUZUKI  
AND IAN HAMILTON  
Special to QM Agency

It turned 75 in March. That means I probably won't be around to see the worst impacts of climate change or any other looming environmental disasters — or the much brighter future that may emerge if we get off our butts to address the problems.

I'm also a father and

grandfather, and because I care about my children and grandchildren, and all the world's children, I continue to speak out about environmental challenges and solutions.

Climate change is already having impacts around the world. We've already upset the atmospheric carbon balance, so the more we ignore the problem, the worse it will get.

It's unconscionable that we would condemn our children and grandchildren to an increasingly bleak future, especially when there are viable solutions. Cleaner sources of energy would reduce pollution and the health problems that go along with it. Reducing our reliance on fossil fuels would resolve crises that

threaten political and economic stability.

It shouldn't be up to young people to clean up the messes we made. And they will be most affected by the decisions made today. But because so many adults have abdicated their responsibility to the world and its children, youth are taking matters into their own hands.

One young person in the U.S., Alec Loorz, 16, is even taking his government to court over its inaction on climate change. He launched actions against state and federal governments to have the atmosphere declared a "public trust" that must be protected. "We will let the world know that climate change is not about money, it's not

about power, it's not about convenience," he says. "It's about our future. It's about the survival of this and every generation to come."

Loorz started Matter when he was 13. He has rallied youth to march to raise awareness about climate change. He argues that children have the "moral authority" to ask their parents and leaders: "Do I matter to you?"

It's a question that deserves an answer. For many adults, the honest answer would have to be: "No, we're more concerned about cheap gas, the economy, profits for the fossil fuel industry and having more stuff."

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## ■ MEETING: Fonthill-Singer's Corners Women's Institute

# Floral delights for Institute members

For PelhamNEWS

Thirteen members of the Fonthill-Singer's Corners Women's Institute enjoyed the drive along trillium-bedecked roads to the home of Vivian Shoalts in Wanfleit. Each member brought a flower for a bouquet, which was later taken to a former member.

Some members felt that a seat for the Green Party at the recent election will bring more awareness of the environment, and what each of us can do to enhance the health of the planet.

Discussion continued from last month regarding the Erland Lee (Museum) Home, which has been closed over the winter. Pledge forms were filled in to be forwarded to the

Friends of the Lee committee confirming our support for their efforts to have the Home reopened.

Photos were shown of the trees brought down in the recent windstorm, but thankfully the Home was spared any damage.

It was announced that the Niagara District Annual meeting will be held at the Cook's Mills United Church on Tuesday, May 24, starting at 9:30 a.m. Tickets are \$15, which includes the report booklet.

The Associated Country Women of the World Canada Area project will be to raise \$10,000 to assist the Caribbean and South American Areas of ACWW.

A letter of thanks was received from Canada Comforts for the latest

carton of knitting and clothing which this branch sent.

A scholarship was also donated to E. L. Crossley Secondary School.

Members will enjoy an outing to the County Store Kettle and Grill in Port Colborne on Wednesday, June 22, followed by a performance at the Showboat Festival Theatre.

The motto for the month

was "You'll never reach second base if you keep your foot on first."

Diana Knight led the members in planning programs, mottos and roll calls for the coming year, which promises to be a time for personal growth and community action.

— submitted by Pamela Bronn, PRO, (905) 892-2759

## Parents must be eco-warriors

FROM PAGE 4

It reminds me of the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro in 1992. My daughter Severn gave a speech that silenced the delegates and brought many to tears. She asked: "Are we even on your list of priorities?... Losing a future is not like losing an election or a few points on the stock market."

Severn is now a mother, and I'm proud that she

takes her commitment to her child and to all children seriously. She works hard to raise awareness about environmental issues. We owe it to our children and grandchildren to help clean up the messes we've made.

Parents must become eco-warriors on behalf of their children, because their future depends as much on us as it is to them.

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## ■ MAYOR

# Relocation of flagpole meets resistance



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Mayor Dave Augustyn chats with Welland-Pelham Chamber of Commerce executive director Dolores Fabiano and past president John Krall during the annual Mayor's breakfast at the Royal Canadian Legion hall in Pelham.

## FROM PAGE 1

It did face a delay when Enbridge Gas decided to replace a pipeline but the mayor said, it looks like will not put the project behind. Summerfest, celebration of the completion of the work, is scheduled for Saturday, July 23.

Augustyn said it is "to get people back into the downtown" to enjoy the new community setting and give merchants a boost.

Chamber past president John Krall in his closing remarks at the breakfast urged chamber members "to reset their GPS" to take them back into downtown Fonthill.

"These businesses deserve your support," Krall said.

The mayor touched on

a similar downtown \$2.8 million upgrade planned for Fenwick in the future. However, the town has not budgeted for it yet and it will require funding from upper levels of government.

Flashing a picture of the Fenwick flagpole on a projector screen, he said he is committed to keeping the historic pole in a prominent place. Feedback from residents showed resistance to a suggestion to move the pole. Fenwick is about to open a new firehall.

"It is 90% complete with a grand opening planned for June 25," said the mayor.

It will include a parade down Welland Rd. from the existing firehall to the new one along with open house and burial of a time capsule.

It will be the polling site during the town's Ward 1 byelection on Monday, June 20.

The mayor touched on a strategic plan the town council is finalizing with input from the public.

He said the town now blends the best of urban and rural lifestyles. The plan encourages an enhancement along with development of local businesses.

During June an open house will show the secondary plan for East Fonthill.

The 600 acres development between Rice Rd. and Station St. along Hwy 20 and over to Merritt Rd. could house up to 5,000 people.

The mayor said planning for the area began in 2001. Developers said in 2006 they could do it quicker and took over planning. However, in 2010 the town took it back and completed it.

The other major development on the horizon is a report of the recreation facilities committee looking into a community centre proposal.

It will be made public in the next few weeks and be presented to the public.

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#### ■ APRIL'S BUSINESS OF THE MONTH: Kwik Fit Niagara



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Kwik Fit Niagara is the Welland-Pelham Chamber of Commerce business of the month for April. The studio, at 8 Hwy. 20 E., provides clients with a 12-minute workout that's needed only once a week. Pictured from left is trainer Chris Barrett, chamber executive director Dolores Fabiano, Mel Groom representing award sponsor RBC Dominion Securities and owner Frank Adamson.

#### ■ MAY'S BUSINESS OF THE MONTH: Marilee's Bridal



MARYANNE FIRTH Staff Photo

Marilee's Bridal & Evening Fashions, 1507 Pelham St., has been named business of the month for May by Welland-Pelham Chamber of Commerce. Pictured from left are owner Mary Marr, Mel Groom representing award sponsor RBC Dominion Securities and chamber executive director Dolores Fabiano.



## AUTONET

# New Chrysler 300s for 2012 are not spartan

JOE DUARTE  
QMI Agency

Reworking its entire line-up under the new Fiat ownership, Chrysler is expanding its flagship Chrysler 300 sedan line-up for 2012 to suit different lifestyles.

In a nutshell, the 300 SRT8 with its 6.4-litre Hemi V8 offers a combination of world-class luxury, performance and handling in the full-sized four-door market; the all-new Chrysler 300S supplies a more youthful and aggressive appearance, and athletic style with a degree of sophistication; and the all-new 300C Executive Series features premium materials and world-class refinement to make it the most luxurious Chrysler sedan ever.

As the figurehead of the 300 line-up, the 2012 Chrysler 300 SRT8 adds high-performance hardware to the 300C remade for the 2011 model year, and rides a half inch lower than the base car.

With an estimated peak 465 horsepower and 465 lb.-ft. of torque (up 40 and 45, respectively, from the previous 6.1l Hemi V8), the SRT8 delivers projected 0 to 100 km/h acceleration in the five-second range (thanks to an additional 80 lb.-ft. of torque at a low 2500 rpm), quarter mile times of high 12 second range, a top speed of 282 km/h, stops from 60 mph (96 km/h) in about 120 feet, and 0-100-0 mph times of less than 16 seconds.

A new Adaptive Damping System (ADS) uses a wide range of sensors and inputs to automatically and quickly tune the suspension to specific conditions and driving styles. Drivers can also

manually choose between Auto and Sport modes.

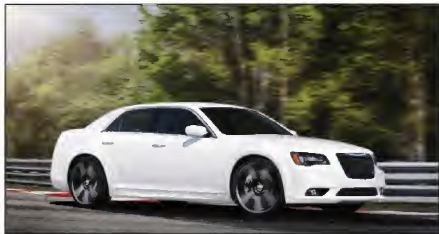
Inside, there's a new exclusive performance leather wrapped steering wheel, keyless entry with push button start, standard paddle shifters for the five-speed Automatic transmission, heated seats front and rear (also ventilated up front), carbon fibre trim pieces, racing style pedals, performance timing and evaluation in the centrestack's touchscreen display, and a full complement of airbags and other safety features.

Those who want more street cred and less racetrack cred will likely be taken in by the all-new 300S – a "street machine" with 20-inch aluminum wheels, sport-tuned suspension, premium audio system from Dr. Dre, exterior accents and a monotone black or exclusive black with Radar Red interior environment.

Available with 292-hp 3.6-litre V6 or 363-hp 5.7 V8 engines, the 300S provides style without the glitz – no chrome outside; no chrome inside. The V6 delivers power to all four wheels by a new eight-speed automatic; the V8 uses the five-speed Automatic.

And for those who seek luxury over performance, the all-new 2012 Chrysler 300C Executive Series supplies an ultra-premium leather wrapped cockpit, real wood interior trim, Nappa leather seats, platinum chrome exterior trim and polished 20-inch wheels. It too is powered by the 5.7-litre Hemi V8, sending power to the rear or all wheels through the five-speed Automatic.

Cars are expected to arriving in dealerships in summer and early fall 2011.



The Chrysler 300 sedan lineup for 2012 features three new iterations to suit three different buyer demographics. Photo supplied by Chrysler

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■ **LIONS CARNIVAL:** May 27, 28 and 29**Midway deal a steal for carnival goers**

PelhamNEWS Staff

The Fabulous Fenwick Lions will offer a fabulous deal for its annual carnival next week.

Parents can purchase an all-day midway pass for \$20 to allow children to enjoy unlimited rides on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday.

These tickets are offered at until Thursday, May 26 only at: Fenwick Avondale Store, North Pelham Avondale Store and Klager's Food Market, Fonthill.

When you purchase an all-day ticket in advance, you will exchange that ticket for a wrist band at the midway ticket booth during the carnival.

Your children will have unlimited access to the midway rides on any one

day: Friday, May 27 from 5 p.m. to closing, on Saturday, May 28 from 12 p.m. to closing or

Sunday, May 29, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. The carnival opens Friday night with the traditional parade starting at 6:30 p.m. from Bethany Christian Church, then north on Balfour St., west on Carboro Rd., and south on Church St. to Centennial Park.

Highlights include: Lioness Penny Sale in the clubhouse, amusement rides by Crown Amusements available all week-end, families with Special Needs ride free Saturday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., plant sale, cow plop lottery, food booth, fireworks and Chili Cook Off With Local politicians and Fenwick Flossie.

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The Midway opens with special all-day wristbands that must be purchased (\$20) in advance by Thursday, May 26 at local Avondale Store in North Pelham Fenwick & Klager's Market, Fonthill.

Lioness Penny Sale in the Clubhouse.

**6:30 pm**

The Carnival Parade will begin at Bethany Christian Church, proceed north on Balfour St., west on Carboro Rd., and south on Church St. to Centennial Park.

**11:00 pm**

The Midway closes.

**SATURDAY, MAY 28****8:00 am - noon**

Breakfast will be served at the Lions Food Booth.

**12:00 pm - closing**

Lioness Penny Sale in the Clubhouse

**1:00 pm - closing**

Midway Rides & Games

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**SUNDAY, MAY 29****8:00 am - noon**

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Lioness Penny Sale in the Clubhouse.

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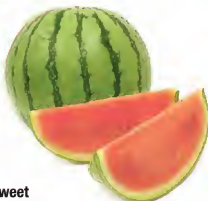
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■ **COUNCIL:** Seven come in under budget

# Early tendering of project pays off

WAYNE CAMPBELL  
PelhamNEWS Staff

Ward 3 Coun. John Durley praised town staff for coming in under budget on seven tenders.

Town council at its regular meeting Monday awarded contracts on ditching, resurfacing, road repair, fencing, two buildings and an engineering proposal for reconstruction of Eppingham St. through the hamlet of Eppingham.

"Staff got the tenders out early and it resulted in a great deal of saving," said Durley, who heads the town's budget committee.

Council accepted a \$70,059 tender from Anthony's Excavating Central Inc. for the summer roadside ditching program. The town budgeted \$100,000 for the work.

Economy Paving Company will do road base and surface repair work for \$117,000 on a project budgeted at \$125,000.

Brennan Paving Limited tendered

\$239,419 for the urban road resurfacing program that was budgeted for \$248,500.

Norjohn Contracting and Paving Limited will do the bituminous surface treatment program for \$560,842. The town budgeted \$911,000 for the work.

Burgess Fence of Fenwick will put a fence around the operations yard with a \$34,700 tender. The budget was \$50,000.

Two pre-cast concrete building will be bought and installed by Hygrade Precast Concrete Inc. for \$56,000 on a \$60,000 budgeted item. They will go into Hillside Cemetery and Centennial Park.

AMEC Earth & Environmental will provide the engineering services for the reconstruction of Eppingham St. from Kilman Rd. to Sixteen Rd. for \$29,880. The engineering portion of the \$500,000 reconstruction project was budgeted at \$48,100.

Durley said a practise of early tendering of projects continues to pay off.



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## ■ pelhambrief

The town will smooth the way along roads over the summer.

Brennan Paving Ltd was awarded a \$239,419 contract to remove exiting asphalt

and resurface roads with a new layer of asphalt.

Roads included in the program for this summer are:

- Lorimer St. from

Hurricane Rd. to Station St.

- Fallingbrook Dr. from Spruceside Cres. to a walkway to Pelham St.
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# sports

## ■ ROWING

# Crossley on the water in major regatta

For PelhamNEWS

WELLAND — On your mark, ready, set, row!

This year's Southern Niagara Rowing Club High School Invitational, held on the Great Dain course south of the plug, was moved up one week. The two-day competition got underway Saturday in rough weather that affected the finals on Sunday.

Club president Michael Ineson called it "third-largest regatta" with upwards of 1,400 athletes from 52 high schools.

With two days of progressive racing organizers such as Ineson, were "excited" to get underway. He was thankful to such sponsors as Dominion Insurance donated \$10,000 to defray the cost of "expensive equipment" needed to run the event.

It was the traditional warmup to the Canadian championships for high school crews from across Ontario as well as from the United States. Hometown

hopefuls included Centennial, Confederation, E.L. Crossley, Jean Vanier, Lakeshore Catholic, Notre Dame and Port High.

The start of the course is close to the confluence of the new and old canals and had crews rowing north toward Welland.

The City of Welland provided a portable grandstand. Also available were food and displays selling apparel.

The event required 60-plus volunteers had volunteers out along the course as early as 5:30.

An addition to this year's regatta will be the efficiency awards handed out at the end of each day. Ineson said these awards were based on winning ratio instead of purely on points so that more schools not only have more chances to win, but those that were only able to succeed in a few events will still be recognized for their efforts.

Ineson said "the canal is the perfect location for

## ■ TRACK AND FIELD: Cyclones capture Zone 3 title



Supplied Photo

E.L. Crossley Track and Field team who won the Overall Zone 3 title with 306 points. It beat Ridgeway Crystal Beach High School who had 214 points. The team also won the Overall Girls title with 186 points over AN Myer with 92 points and the Crossley boys placed 2nd trailing RCBHS by 18 points. There were 20 teams that competed at this meet. Crossley had 50 athletes going on to S.O.S.S.A. (Southern Ontario Secondary School Association) on Thursday in Hamilton. They had to place in the top five at Zone to move on. They will again have to place in the top five at SOSAA to advance to Regionals (which is one step closer to OFSAA).

rowing" because of its length, straight-arrow design and lack of current. He added he is looking forward to getting youth out to the club and into rowing.

"It's a great sport for developing teamwork, physical fitness and learn-

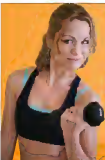
ing life skills," said Ineson, whose youngest daughter Anna rowed for Crossley this weekend and whose eldest daughter, Sarah, helps coach rowing at Queen's University.

Ineson encourages youth to come out and try

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Each year the District School Board of Niagara recognizes one student from each of its 22 secondary schools who excels academically, while making outstanding contributions to their school and home communities.

A cheerful and easy going disposition, makes Reece a pleasure to have around the school, said Susan Santesso on behalf of the school.

"Chad's booming and enthusiastic voice is heard over the school's P.A. system each morning, letting us know what is happening in and around the school."

He is always visible as an organiser

at numerous activities at E. L. Crossley, particularly in the area of athletics.

"If he is not participating on a team such as track and field, volleyball, cross country or badminton, you will see Chad around the activity, organizing on behalf of the Athletic Council, setting up, score keeping and even, coaching."

Reece has been a driving force behind Student Council activities over the past two years.

He demonstrated leadership by example through his dedication, reliability and strong work ethic.

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